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## Brookhaven discontinues annexation appeal

**Brookhaven, GA Nov. 12, 2013 –** The Brookhaven City Council voted unanimously tonight to discontinue support of the appeal of the DeKalb County Superior Court's recent ruling on the annexation of Century Center.

The council approved a resolution to stop any further funding of the appeal of the City of Chamblee's litigation, and also asked Chamblee to withdraw its suit.

"After thoughtful deliberation on this important issue we decided that Highwoods Properties can continue its own course as they see fit. However, we won't be funding the current appeal," Brookhaven Mayor J. Max Davis said. "We would like to congratulate the new citizens of Chamblee. We hope to see the entire northeast corridor of DeKalb municipalized because we believe it's best for the region."

Highwoods Properties, the principle owner of Century Center, filed an application to be annexed into Brookhaven in June. Chamblee subsequently filed suit to stop that annexation. Last month, a DeKalb County judge ruled in support of Chamblee and allowed Chamblee to move forward with a referendum on the annexation. Brookhaven then appealed that ruling to the Georgia Supreme Court.

On Nov. 5, Chamblee residents voted in support of the annexation, which included Century Center.

"The City of Brookhaven recognizes the will of the citizens of Chamblee, respects their decision and is desirous of discontinuing its participation in the current appeal to the Georgia Supreme Court." the resolution states.

The city will now withdraw that appeal to the state's supreme court.

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